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ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC CHURCH
(ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON)

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 4, 2019

4600 REED ROAD, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77051-2857
Parish Office: 713.738.2311; Fax: 713.738.3337
CCE Office: 713.731.2775; SVdP Food Pantry: 713.731.2716
WEB Address: http://www.sfxhouston.com
E-MAIL: stfrancishou@sfxhouston.com
Parish Office Hours: Mon - Wed 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Closed on Thursday; Fri 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/StFrancisXavierCatholicChurchHouston

MISSION STATEMENT
We, with the grace of the Holy Spirit, proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ as expressed in the beliefs and traditions of the Holy Roman Catholic Church. Through a passion for righteousness and consciousness of duty to God, we uphold the faithful worship of God in our mission to our church family and the Sunnyside Community.

PASTOR:
Rev. Michael K. Saah-Buckman, SSJ

DEACONS:
Michael V. Jenkins
Darryl K. Drenon
Frank J. Lauermann (Retired)

PARISH SECRETARY
Shirley M. Foreman,..................x113

DIR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Unella Baber,.........................x103

ADULT FORMATION
Deacon Michael V. Jenkins

SVdP FOOD PANTRY
Mandy Wheatfall  713.731.2716

CONTRIBUTIONS/MEMBERSHIP
Agnes Thompson

HALL MANAGER
Hilton S. Williams  713.542.0120

PLANT MANAGER
Anthony Ray Gobert

MAINTENANCE
Violet & Harold Champ

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE
Sat: Vigil 5:00 p.m.
Sun: 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE
Weekday: 7:00 a.m.
First Friday: 6:30 p.m.
Holy Days: 7:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS
Saturday: 4:15p.m. - 4:45p.m.
Sundays: 6:45a.m. - 7:15a.m.
9:20a.m. - 9:45a.m.
11:35a.m. - 12:00p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT:
First Friday: 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

CHOIR REHEARSALS:
Adult Choirs
Judah Choir:
Tuesday @ 7:00 p.m.
God’s Chosen Choir:
Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.
Youth Choir:
Saturday-12:00pm (Harris Center)
Thursday before the 4th Sunday-7:00pm (In Church)

BIBLE STUDY/ADULT CATHECHISM:
Tuesday: 6:30 p.m.

CHOIR DIRECTORS:
Jerry Givens  281.772.9276
Daniel Guerrero  281.723.9948

VISITATION OF THE SICK
Communion for the sick and shut-in is available. Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Please call the parish office for information. Preparation classes are required for parents and godparents.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY
Please contact a priest a minimum of six months prior to proposed date.

WELCOME VISITORS AND NEWCOMERS
To register, call, come by the parish office or visit our website at: www.sfxhouston.com
St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 4, 2019

**Stewardship Sunday**

Let us remember that the many possessions we strive to acquire are worthless in the eyes of the Lord. “Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one’s life does not consist of possessions.” Luke 12:15 The Gospel message today is contrary to our modern culture where advertising continually tries to convince us that our value lies in the things we possess. Jesus showed us that our true value lies in the way we live our lives. He challenges us to not hoard material possessions, but rather to live a grateful and generous lifestyle and become more “other-centered” and less “self-centered.”

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SAT. 08/03/19 5:00PM**

The Goodwin Family (L)
Stephanie Goodwin

Deacon Albert Henry (D) – The Family
Kristina M. Chaney (D)
Family & Friends

James Epps (D) – Family & Friends
Rosalie Doyle (D) – Jeanette Steptoe

**SUN. 08/04/19 7:30AM**

Kristina M. Chaney (D)
Family & Friends

O’Neal & Alice Duplechain (D)
Sandra Savoie Arceneaux (D)

**MON. 08/05/19 7:00AM**

Edward Pickney, Jr. (D)

**TUE. 08/06/19 7:00AM**

Margaret Chaney & Family

**FRI. 08/09/19 6:30PM**

Kristina M. Chaney (D)
Family & Friends

Verley Lewis (D)
Mary Densman & Gertie Dominguez

**SUN. 08/11/19 10:00AM**

Edmonia Guillory (D)

**MON. 08/12/19 7:00AM**

James & Justine Reaux (D)
Margaret Chaney & Family

**TUE. 08/13/19 7:00AM**

Josephine Ama Buckman (D)

**THUR. 08/15/19 7:00AM**

Gilbert Bonhomme (D) – Henderson’s

**FRI. 08/16/19 6:30PM**

Kristina M. Chaney (D)
Family & Friends

**SAT. 08/17/19 5:00PM**

Mary Collins, Arttica Dozier
Gayle Farrow, Ursula Gross, Willie Mae Henderson, Crystal Jackson, Craig Jackson, Helen Kennison, Charles Kimble, Marylyn Kimble, Michael LaMothe, JoAnn LaSane, Cynthia Ann Malone, Barbara Martin, Shannon Martin, Dorothy Milstead, Vy, Rev. William L. Norvel, SSJ, Patrick Nwokobia, Carolyn Ollison, Helen Foreman Orsort, Cynethia Pichon, William Pierre Sr., Marcelle Prevost, Sarah Pugh, Oliver Rose, Evelyn Smith, Simon Smith, Joyce Stagg, MacKenzie Swanks, Kennedi Swanks, Erma Taylor, Pamela Thibodeaux, Theresa White, Agnes Williams, and all the sick and shut-in in our parish family.

**Let us Know**

Please let us know when you and/or a family member are ill, in the hospital, or having a surgery, especially if the illness or surgery is serious. Call the Parish Office so that we can put the name on the sick list for prayers and/or visitation if needed. **After 30 days, please call the office to remain on the prayer list.**

**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Today’s readings from Ecclesiastes and Luke’s Gospel each feature wealthy and successful individuals. The rich man in Jesus’ parable thinks he is all set for life, but he is about to get a most unpleasant surprise. Even though the character in the first reading realizes that he can’t take his wealth with him, this knowledge doesn’t leave him any happier. Saint Paul’s words of advice to the Colossians point to an alternative: “Seek what is above.” As we listen to the readings today, let us think of how we can heed the advice of St. Paul.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Sunday – August 4**

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23**

Psalm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17

Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Luke 12:13-21

**Monday – August 5**

The Declaration of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major

Numbers 11:4-15

Psalm 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17

Matthew 14:13-21

**Tuesday – August 6**

The Transfiguration of the Lord

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 9


**Wednesday – August 7**

Saint Sixtus II, Pope & Companions, Martyrs; Saint Cajetan, Priest


Psalm 106:6-7, 13-14, 21-22, 23

Matthew 15:21-28

**Thursday – August 8**

Saint Dominic, Priest

Numbers 20:1-13

Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9

Matthew 16:13-23

**First Friday – August 9**

Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin & Martyr

Deuteronomy 4:32-40

Psalm 77:12-13, 14-15, 16, 21

Matthew 16:24-28

**First Saturday – August 10**

Saint Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr

2 Corinthians 9:6-10

Psalm 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9

John 12:24-26

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**Deacon Alfred Abram, Algy Alfred, Mary Clara Barras, Margaret Cadoree, Mary Augustine Chenier, Mary Collins, Arttica Dozier, Gayle Farrow, Ursula Gross, Willie Mae Henderson, Crystal Jackson, Craig Jackson, Helen Kennison, Charles Kimble, Marylyn Kimble, Michael LaMothe, JoAnn LaSane, Cynthia Ann Malone, Barbara Martin, Shannon Martin, Dorothy Milstead, Vy, Rev. William L. Norvel, SSJ, Patrick Nwokobia, Carolyn Ollison, Helen Foreman Orsort, Cynethia Pichon, William Pierre Sr., Marcelle Prevost, Sarah Pugh, Oliver Rose, Evelyn Smith, Simon Smith, Joyce Stagg, MacKenzie Swanks, Kennedi Swanks, Erma Taylor, Pamela Thibodeaux, Theresa White, Agnes Williams, and all the sick and shut-in in our parish family.**

Bible Study Classes are Tuesdays’ at **6:30pm**. Come study God’s Word and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Bring your Catholic Bible and a friend.

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Bulletin Deadline: WEDNESDAY @ NOON
August 24th 10:00am
CCE BUSINESS MEETING
August 26th 9:00am
CCE REGISTRATION BEGINS
September 16th 6:00pm
CCE REGISTRATION BEGINS
August 26th 9:00am
September 21st 9:30am
Pre-K – 5th CCE CLASSES BEGIN

RCIA

RCIA INQUIRY
Thinking of becoming Catholic?
Inquiry is an opportunity for adults who are discerning entering RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) in the fall to come together to hear about the process and spend time discerning if this is the step for them now.
Thursday, August 22nd, 6:00pm in the Harris Center Auditorium.
Please call the Parish Office to REGISTER at 713-738-2311

SFX 55+ CLUB FUN-RAISER
Parish Hall
Saturday, August 17, 2019
Smoked Turkey Legs.............. $10.00
Cakes.............................................$2.00
Candy.........................................$3.00
Sunday, August 18, 2019
(Anfer all Masses)
Smoked Turkey Legs..............$10.00
Sausage, Red Beans & Rice.....$5.00
Cakes.............................................$2.00
Candy.........................................$3.00

Bazaar King & Queen Contest
2019 King and Queen Contestants are:
ELIZA BELL - 4 yrs
CHRISTIAN HOLMES - 6 yrs
JASON PEUGH - 7 yrs
BRIONNE DRENON - 8 yrs
Each participant is required to sell ads for the souvenir booklet. Call Elaine Mathews at (713) 733-3762 for additional information. The Bazaar Team will meet again on Monday, August 19th at 6:00pm. All Booth Representatives are needed.

Bazaar Bake Sale
The Christian Women Organization will have a Bake Sale every Sunday until Bazaar weekend after the 7:30am and 10:00am Masses.

SAVE THE DATE
SFX 8th Annual Line Dance
will be held on Saturday, August 24th from 7:00pm to 11:00pm in the Church Hall. Presale tickets are $10 and $12 at the door. Proceeds benefitting the SFX Church Bazaar. Free food, drinks plus door prizes. Contact Mary Albert at 281-827-5003 for more information.

BLUEPRINT TO BETTER HEALTH
Sponsored by:
The Blue Ridge United Methodist Men
Saturday, August 10, 2019
9:00am – 1:00pm
2929 Reed Road, Houston, TX 77051
Blood Pressure Screenings and BRCA – Genetic Cancer Screen Testing available. Information provided on Breast Cancer Awareness and Health & Beauty. HFD, AAA, Avon, Mary Kay, LYFE on Wheels and many more will be in attendance. Enjoy entertainment, raffle drawings and gift card prizes.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS
We encourage all parishioners to take the chalice home for a week and pray for vocations. This week the Chalice will reside in the home of Shirley & Belinda Foreman.

Did you miss a weekly offering while on Summer vacation? eGiving through Faith Direct is the easiest and most convenient way for St. Francis Xavier to receive your weekly offering and other Church support. eGiving through Faith Direct will also save you time while helping St. Francis Xavier reduce our expenses. You can either go online to faith.direct/TX632 or text the word ENROLL to 281-949-7600. Thank you for your prayerful support of St. Francis Xavier.
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NEXT WEEK’S SECOND COLLECTION
Infirm Priests’ Collection
With your support of the annual collection of Infirm Priests, the Archdiocese has been able to provide medical and emergency support for retired and infirm priests - one-third of our archdiocesan priests are over 65 years of age, with 56 living in retirement. As medical costs increase, it is burdensome for brothers and priests, especially those that are retired and have limited income. We ask that you be generous next weekend in supporting our retired and infirm priests and that you continue to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE
2ND ANNUAL ARCHDIOCESAN AFRICAN CULTURAL HERITAGE FESTIVAL
The African Catholics in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, Texas invite you to their Mass Celebration on Sunday, August 11, 2019 at 3:00pm at The Catholic Charismatic Center located at 1949 Cullen Blvd, Houston, Texas 77023. Daniel Cardinal DiNardo will be the Chief Celebrant. Mass will be followed by a colorful outdoor All-African Reception and Entertainment. For more information, email aachfa@yahoo.com or contact Fr. Sebastine Okoye at 281-917-2303.

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2019 Bazaar Sponsors

Sponsors are needed for the St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church 2019 Annual Fall Bazaar
All Sponsors will be displayed at the Bazaar on the Building Banner
and in the Weekly Bulletin

Please choose to become a sponsor or partial sponsor for one of the following:
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South Africa Minutes

Minutes from the South Africa meeting.

South Africa Trip: June 22 – July 1, 2020

Heavenly-Matched Travel Agency

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
Ronald Ward (713) 520-8095 @ Heavenly-Matched@hotmail.com

Cost per person
Cost will be told at the Saturday, August 17, meeting the 11:30 a.m. at St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall

Person per room
2 adults per room

Shots
Shots are NOT needed to travel to South Africa. It was recommended to consult with your doctor about requirements for you to travel to South Africa.

Weather
Winter (The South Africa’s weather is like Houston’s weather in November) Light jacket

Requirement for Travel
A PASSPORT. Passports should not expire 8 months after July 1. A VISA is not required.

Flight
Approx. 18 hours of flying time; Layovers are approx. 4 hours
Leaving from Intercontinental Airport; two days to fly to Africa

Payment Plan
Heavenly-Matched has a payment plan and will be discussed in the August 17, 2019 meeting.
The cost of the trip must be paid in 8 months. START YOUR PAYMENT at the August 17 meeting!!!
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